

OMB Control Number: 0584–New.
Summary of Collection: Section 17 (7 U.S.C. 2026) (a) (1) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 provides general legislative authority for the planned data collection. This section authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into contracts with private institutions to undertake research that will help to improve the administration and effectiveness of SNAP in delivering nutrition related benefits. More specific legislative authority is found in the ARRA economic stimulus package implemented in April 2009 (Pub. L. No. 111–5, Section 101(c) (1)), which provides administrative funds to the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) for management and oversight and for managing the integrity and evaluation of the stimulus changes. The implementation of ARRA presents a unique opportunity to measure the impact of increased benefits on food insecurity. Over the past few years, SNAP participation has increased over 26 percent and is now at record high levels with over 20.7 million households across the nation enrolled in the program in January 2011. The prevalence of food insecurity is also at a record high level, at 14.6 percent in 2009, as noted in the latest annual report on household food insecurity. A unique opportunity to measure the impact of increased benefits on food insecurity has been presented by the implementation of the ARRA economic stimulus package of 2009, which temporarily increased the maximum allotments provided to SNAP participants by 13.6 percent, eased eligibility requirements for childless adults without jobs, and provided additional funding to state agencies responsible for administering the program.

Need and Use of the Information: This evaluation of the effect of SNAP participants on food security will provide new information on the extent to which food insecurity declines with SNAP participation in a post-ARRA environment. This will produce important new evidence on the program's impact, will inform policy decisions regarding the size of SNAP allotments for eligible households, and inform related operational decisions regarding the likely impact of allotment changes on the propensity to participate. The purpose of this data is to allow analysis that will support the following study objectives: (1) To determine how, if at all, the prevalence of household food insecurity and amount of food expenditures vary with SNAP participation. (2) To determine how, if at all, the observed results vary

by key household characteristics and circumstances. (3) To determine what factors distinguish between food secure and food insecure SNAP households with children.

Description of Respondents: Individuals or household.

Number of Respondents: 15,408.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 8,266.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) intends to request an extension for a currently approved information collection procedure for Sugar Import Licensing Programs described in 7 CFR part 1530.

DATES: Comments should be received on or before September 12, 2011 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Mail or deliver comments to William Janis, International Economist, Import Policies and Programs Division, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Stop 1021, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250–1021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Janis at the address stated above or telephone at (202) 720–2194, or by e-mail at:

William.Janis@fas.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Sugar Imported for Export as Refined Sugar or as a Sugar-Containing Product, or used in the Production of Certain Polyhydric Alcohols.

OMB Number: 0551–0015.

Expiration Date of Approval: December 31, 2011.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: The primary objective of the Sugar Import Licensing Program is to permit entry of raw cane sugar,

unrestricted by the quantitative limit established by the sugar tariff-rate quota, for re-export in refined form or in a sugar containing product or for the production of certain polyhydric alcohols. These programs are in use by as many as 250 licensees currently eligible to participate. Under 7 CFR part 1530, licensees are required to submit the following: (1) “Application for a license” information required for participation as set forth in section 1530.104; (2) “Regular reporting” of import, export, transfer, or use for charges and credits to licensees under section 1530.109; and (3) “Miscellaneous submission” of bonds or letters of credit under section 1530.107, appeals to determinations by the licensing authority under section 1530.112, or requests to the licensing authority for waivers under section 1530.113.

In addition, each participant must maintain records on all program reports as set forth in section 1530.110. The information collected is used by the licensing authority to manage, plan, evaluate, and account for program activities. The reports and records are required to ensure the proper operations of these programs.

Estimate of Burden: (1) “Application for a license” would require 20 hours per response; (2) “Regular reporting” would require between 10 and 15 minutes per transaction with the number of transactions varying per respondent; and (3) “miscellaneous submission” would require between 1 to 2 hours per bond or letter of credit, 2 to 10 hours per waiver request, and 10 to 100 hours per appeal.

Respondents: Sugar refiners, manufacturers of sugar containing products, and producers of polyhydric alcohol.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 250.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: New/Renew License: 1; Regular reporting: 75 transactions, total; Miscellaneous: Bonds/letters of credit: 1; Waiver requests: 1; Appeals: 1.

Estimated Total Burden Hours on Respondents: 1,739 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Tamoria Thompson-Hall, the Agency Information Collection Coordinator, at (202) 690–1690.

Request of Comments: The public is invited to submit comments and suggestions to the above address regarding the accuracy of the burden estimate, ways to minimize the burden, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, or any other

aspect of this collection of information. Comments on issues covered by the Paperwork Reduction Act are most useful to OMB if received within 30 days of publication of the Notice and Request for Comments, but should be submitted no later than 60 days from the date of this publication to be assured of consideration. All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also be a matter of public record. Persons with disabilities who require an alternative means to communicate information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's Target Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD).

Dated: June 24, 2011.

Suzanne E. Heinen,
Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) intends to request an extension for a currently approved information collection procedure for entry of specialty sugars into the United States as described in 7 CFR part 2011.

DATES: Comments should be received on or before September 12, 2011 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Mail or deliver comments to William Janis, International Economist, Import Policies and Programs Division, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Stop 1021, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20250-1021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Janis at the address stated above, or telephone at (202) 720-2194; or by e-mail at William.Janis@fas.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Specialty Sugar Certificate Application.

OMB Number: 0551-0025.

Expiration Date of Approval: December 31, 2011.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: The quota system established by Presidential Proclamation 4941 of May 5, 1982, prevented the importation of certain sugars used for specialized purposes which originated in countries which did not have quota allocations. Therefore, the regulation at 15 CFR part 2011 (Allocation of Tariff-Rate Quota on Imported Sugars, Syrups and Molasses, subpart B—Specialty Sugar) established terms and conditions under which certificates are issued permitting U.S. importers holding certificates to enter specialty sugars from specialty sugar source countries under the sugar tariff-rate quotas (TRQ). Nothing in this subpart affects the ability to enter specialty sugars at the over-TRQ duty rates. Applicants for certificates for the import of specialty sugars must supply the information required by 15 CFR 2011.205 to be eligible to receive a specialty sugar certificate. The specific information required on an application must be collected from those who wish to participate in the program in order to grant specialty sugar certificates, ensure that imported specialty sugar does not disrupt the current domestic sugar program, and administer the issuance of the certificates effectively.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 2 hours per response.

Respondents: Importers.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 37.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 74 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Tamoria Thompson-Hall, the Agency Information Collection Coordinator, at (202) 690-1690.

Request for Comments: The public is invited to submit comments and suggestions to the above address regarding the accuracy of the burden estimate, ways to minimize the burden, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, or any other aspect of this collection of information. Comments on issues covered by the Paperwork Reduction Act are most useful to OMB if received within 30 days of publication of the Notice and Request for Comments, but should be submitted no later than 60 days from the date of this publication to be assured of consideration. All responses to this notice will be summarized and included

in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also be a matter of public record. Persons with disabilities who require an alternative means for communication of information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's Target Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD).

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

White Pine-Nye Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The White Pine-Nye Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Eureka, Nevada. The committee is authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (Pub. L. 110-343) (the Act) and operates in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The purpose of the committee is to improve collaborative relationships and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service concerning projects and funding consistent with the title II of the Act. The meeting is open to the public. The purpose of the meeting is to decide on monitoring the implementation of projects, decide on consideration of additional projects and review and recommend funding allocation for any additional projects.

DATES: The meeting will be held August 8, 2011, 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at Eureka County Annex, 701 S. Main Street, Eureka, Nevada 89316. Written comments may be submitted as described under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

All comments, including names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received at Tonopah Ranger District Office, 1400 S. Erie Main Street, Tonopah, Nevada. Please call ahead to 775-482-6286 to facilitate entry into the building to view comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Williams, RAC Designated Federal Official, Austin Ranger District, 100 Midas Canyon Road, P.O. Box 130,